

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re application of | : | Attorney Docket No. 2006_1315A |
| Hiroyuki KAMIYA et al. | : | Confirmation No. 9531 |
| Serial No. 10/588,792 | : | Group Art Unit 1637 |
| Filed October 26, 2006 | : | Examiner Suchira Pande |
| METHOD OF CONVERTING BASE IN DNA SEQUENCE | : | Mail Stop: RCE |

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated October 28, 2009, the period for response having been extended for one month, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE), requesting entry of the amendments in the after final response, hereby accompanies this response.